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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :
YASUO KOBAYASHI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: LOUIE, MANDY C.
SERIAL NO: 10/580,036 :
FILED: MAY 19, 2006 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1715
FOR: PLASMA PROCESSING METHOD :
AND PLASMA PROCESSING
APPARATUS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW UNDER MPEP § 713.04

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicants acknowledge with appreciation the courtesy of Examiner Mandy Louie in conducting an Examiner initiated telephone interview with Applicants' representative on May 16, 2011. During the telephone interview, the Examiner indicated that the application is in condition for allowance should Applicants accept the proposed Examiner's Amendment.

On May 19, 2011, Applicants' representative contacted Examiner Louie and authorized the Examiner's Amendment. Applicants expect this case to now go to allowance.

Applicants respectfully submit that the comments above qualify as a statement of the substance of the interviews conducted on May 16, 2011 and May 19, 2011, under MPEP § 713.04.

Respectfully submitted,

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